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Docket No.: 50277-456 [OID-1999-048-01]

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
: Rafiul AHAD :  
: Serial No.: : Group Art Unit:  
: Filed: May 25, 2000 : Examiner:  
: For: PERSISTENT AGENTS :

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please change the numbering of the second occurrence of claim 13 from "13" to --14--.

**REMARKS**

Entry of this preliminary amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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